



# COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

## DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

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November 30, 2010

# ADOPTED

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

The Honorable Board of Supervisors  
County of Los Angeles  
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration  
500 West Temple Street  
Los Angeles, California 90012

38 NOVEMBER 30, 2010

*Sachi A. Hamai*  
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EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Dear Supervisors:

**RESOLUTION OF SUMMARY VACATION  
OF A PORTION OF SLOPE EASEMENT EAST OF AMBER RIDGE ROAD  
UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITY OF SAND CANYON  
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 5)  
(3 VOTES)**

### **SUBJECT**

This action will allow the County of Los Angeles to vacate a portion of an easement for slope purposes east of Amber Ridge Road in the unincorporated community of Sand Canyon that is no longer needed for public use. The vacation has been requested by Ed L. Bolden Jr. of Andel Engineering Company on behalf of the underlying fee owners, William Hickey and Valerie Hickey, to provide improvements to the property as part of the construction of a new home.

### **IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:**

1. Find that this action is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act.
2. Find that the portion of easement for slope purposes east of Amber Ridge Road, in the unincorporated community of Sand Canyon, has not been used for the purpose for which it was dedicated or acquired for five consecutive years immediately preceding the proposed vacation and that it may, therefore, be vacated pursuant to Section 8333(a) of the California Streets and Highways Code.
3. Find that the portion of easement for slope purposes east of Amber Ridge Road has been determined to be excess by the easement holder, the County of Los Angeles, and there are no other public facilities located within the easement and that it may, therefore, be vacated pursuant to



Section 8333(c) of the California Streets and Highways Code.

4. Adopt the Resolution of Summary Vacation.

5. Upon approval, authorize the Department of Public Works to record the certified original resolution with the office of the Los Angeles County Registrar Recorder/County Clerk.

#### **PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION**

The purpose of the recommended actions is to find that the project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and allow the County of Los Angeles (County) to vacate the portion of easement for slope purposes east of Amber Ridge Road (Easement) in the unincorporated community of Sand Canyon, since it no longer serves the purpose for which it was dedicated and is not required for public use.

#### **Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals**

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs the provision of Operational Effectiveness (Goal 1). The vacation of the Easement will result in added revenue through assessment and taxation and reduce the County's exposure to potential liability.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING**

There will be no impact to the County General Fund.

The vacation of the Easement will not have a negative fiscal impact on the County's budget. The applicant has paid a \$1,500 fee to defray the expense of the investigation. This amount has been paid and deposited into the Road Fund. The fee was authorized by the County of Los Angeles Board of Supervisors in a resolution adopted May 4, 1982, Synopsis 62 (Fee Schedule), and as prescribed in Section 8321(d) of the California Streets and Highways Code.

#### **FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS**

The area to be vacated contains approximately 10,333 square feet and is shown on the map that is attached to the enclosed Resolution of Summary Vacation.

The California Streets and Highways Code Section 8333 provides "The legislative body of a local agency may summarily vacate a public service easement in any of the following cases: (a) The easement has not been used for the purpose for which it was dedicated or acquired for five consecutive years immediately preceding the proposed vacation; (c) The easement has been superseded by relocation or determined to be excess by the easement holder, and there are no other public facilities located within the easement."

The County's interest in the Easement was acquired by Document No. 80-848259, recorded on September 2, 1980, of Official Records, in the office of the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk, as an easement for slope purposes.

Ed L. Bolden Jr. of Andel Engineering Company requested the vacation of the easement on behalf of the underlying fee owners, William Hickey and Valerie Hickey, to provide improvements to the



property as part of the construction of a new home. The vacation of the Easement provides an additional building area.

Adoption of the enclosed resolution and the subsequent recordation will terminate the County's rights and interest in the Easement. Your action will result in the property being unencumbered by the Easement and available to the property owner for use without restriction of the Easement.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION**

This action is categorically exempt from the provisions of CEQA as specified in Sections 15305 and 15321 of the State CEQA Guidelines which state that this class of projects consisting of minor alterations in land use, limitations, and actions to revoke entitlement for use, issued and adopted by the regulatory agency, have been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment.

#### **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

This action will allow for additional property taxes through the vacation of the unnecessary slope easement.

#### **CONCLUSION**

Please return one adopted copy of this letter and one original and one copy of the resolution to the Department of Public Works, Survey/Mapping & Property Management Division, together with a copy of your Board's minute order. Retain one original for your files.

Respectfully submitted,



GAIL FARBER  
Director

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Enclosures

c: Auditor-Controller (Accounting Division - Asset  
Management)  
Chief Executive Office  
County Counsel  
Executive Office



**RESOLUTION OF SUMMARY VACATION  
OF A PORTION OF SLOPE EASEMENT EAST OF AMBER RIDGE ROAD**

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES  
HEREBY FINDS, DETERMINES, AND RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

1. The County of Los Angeles is the holder of an easement for slope purposes (hereinafter referred to as the Easement) in, over, and across the real property legally described in Exhibit A and depicted on Exhibit B, both attached hereto. The Easement, east of Amber Ridge Road, is located in the unincorporated community of Sand Canyon in the County of Los Angeles, State of California.
2. The Easement has not been used for the purpose for which it was dedicated or acquired for five consecutive years immediately preceding the proposed vacation.
3. The Easement has been determined to be excess, and there are no other public facilities located within the Easement.
4. The Easement is hereby vacated pursuant to Chapter 4, Part 3, Division 9, of the Streets and Highways Code, State of California, commencing with Section 8330.
5. The Department of Public Works is authorized to record the certified original resolution in the office of the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk of the County of Los Angeles, at which time the Easement will no longer be a public easement.
6. From and after the date this resolution is recorded, the Easement will no longer constitute a public service easement.

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The foregoing resolution was on the 30<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2010, adopted by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles, and ex-officio the governing body of all other special assessment and taxing districts for which said Board so acts.



SACHI A. HAMAI  
Executive Officer of the  
Board of Supervisors of the  
County of Los Angeles

By   
Deputy

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

ANDREA SHERIDAN ORDIN  
County Counsel

By   
Deputy

GT:mr

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## EXHIBIT A

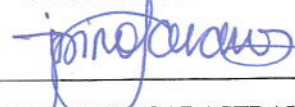
Project Name: SLOPE EASEMENT EAST OF  
AMBER RIDGE ROAD SOUTH  
OF RADCLAY STREET  
**AMBER RIDGE ROAD 1-1S**  
A.I.N. 2848-008-023 (Portion)  
T.G. 589-J1  
I.M. 249-157  
R.D. 553  
S.D. 5  
M0888105

### LEGAL DESCRIPTION

#### PARCEL NO. 1-1S (Vacation of Slope Easement)

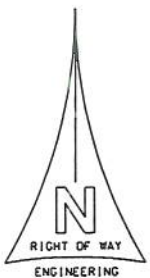
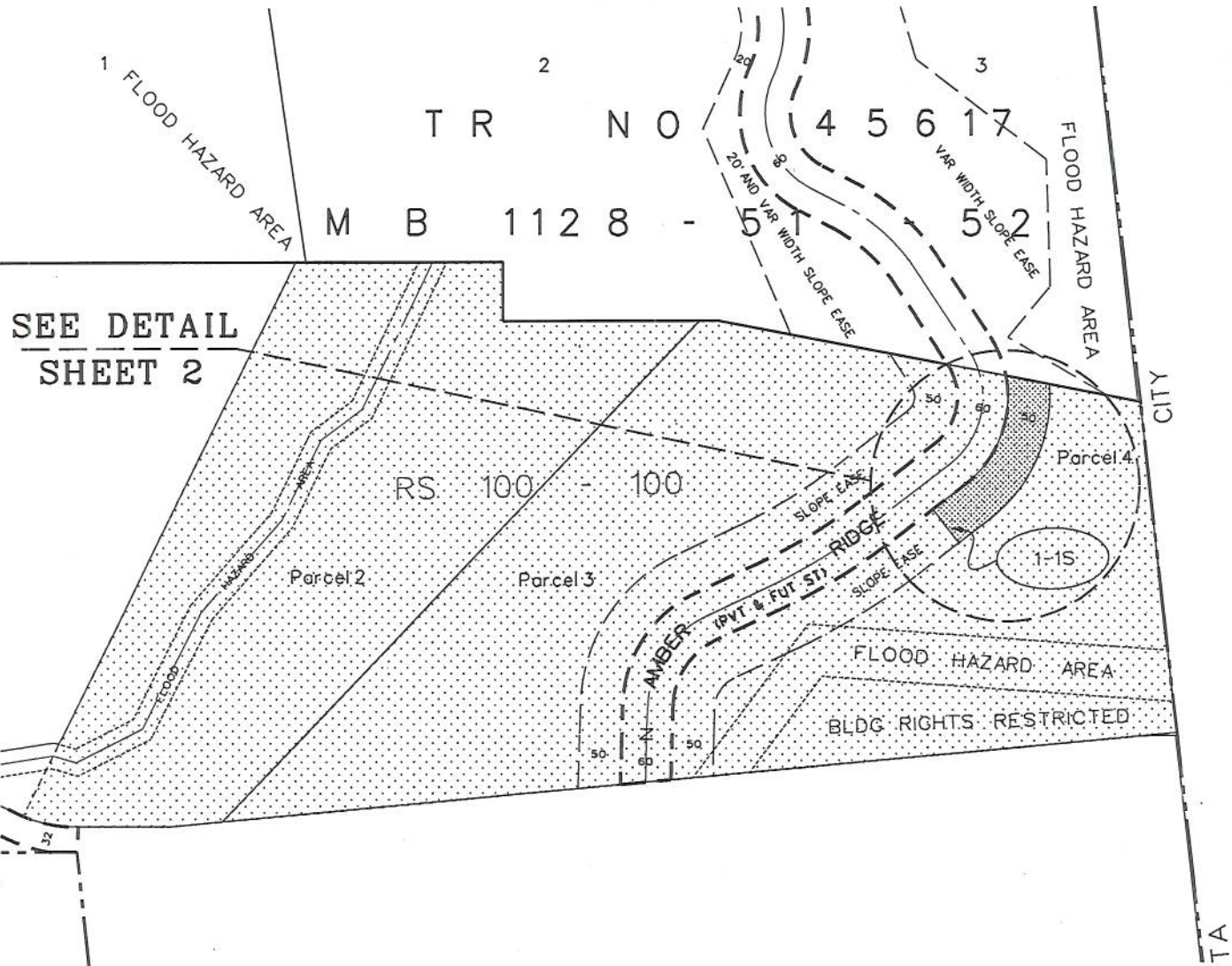
That portion of that certain 50-foot strip of land in Parcel 4, as shown on map filed in Book 100, page 100, of Record of Surveys, in the office of the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk of the County of Los Angeles, designated as "Parcel 3" in the Easement Deed, recorded on September 2, 1980, as Document No. 80-848259, of Official Records, in the office of said Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk lying northeasterly of a line which bears at right angles with that certain course having a bearing and length of South 52°17'13" West 110.19 feet in the center line of Amber Ridge Road (Private Street) as shown on said document and which passes through a point in said certain course, said point distant 48.06 feet southwesterly along said certain course from its northeasterly terminus.

Total Area: 10,333±square feet

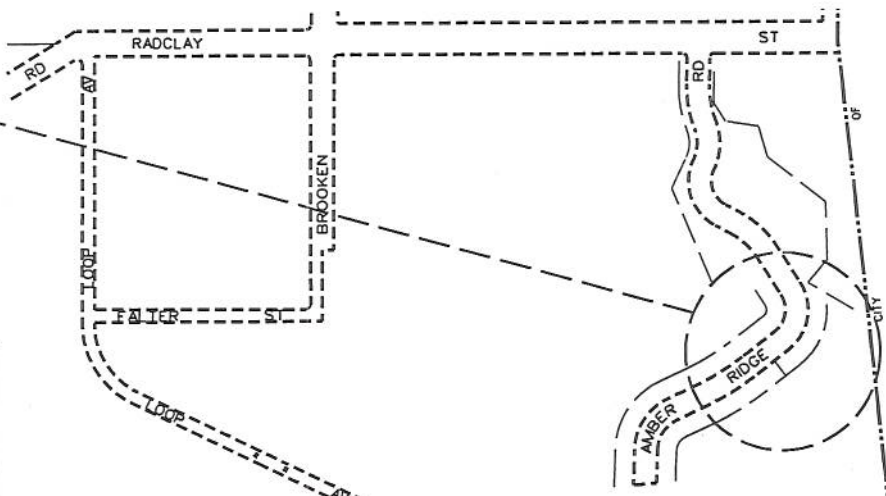
APPROVED AS TO DESCRIPTION
<u>October 18, 2010</u>
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
By <u></u>
SUPERVISING CADASTRAL ENGINEER III
Survey/Mapping & Property Management Division

This real property description has been prepared in conformance with the Professional Land Surveyors Act. The signatory herein is exempt pursuant to Section 8726 of the California Business and Professions Code





SUBJECT  
LOCATION  
EXHIBIT B



### LEGEND

- Area to be Vacated
- Total Area 10,333 ± s.f.
- Applicant

### REVISIONS

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### DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

### MAPPING & PROPERTY MANAGEMENT DIVISION

SD. RD. A.I.N. T.G.  
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SCALE DATE I.M.  
NONE 11-05-07 249-157

SLOPE EASEMENT  
E/O AMBER RIDGE RD  
S/O RADCLAY ST

DRAWING NO.  
M0888105  
SHEET 1



